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	Art Unit	3627
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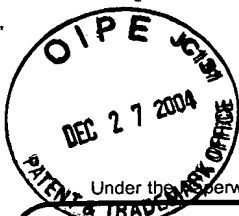
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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2003

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Complete if Known

Application Number	10/027,032
Filing Date	12/20/2001
First Named Inventor	Douglas C. Meyer
Examiner Name	James S. McClellan
Art Unit	3627
Attorney Docket No.	01-488

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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1001	2001	790	385	Utility filing fee	
1002	2002	350	170	Design filing fee	
1003	2003	530	265	Plant filing fee	
1004	2004	790	385	Reissue filing fee	
1005	2005	160	80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 0

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
41			
52	-20** = 11	50	550
3	-3** = 0	200	0

Large Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
1202	2002	18	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	2001	88	43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	2203	290	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	2204	88	43	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	2205	18	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

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Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	430	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	980	2253	475	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,530	2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2,080	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	340	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
1402	340	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	300	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,370	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,370	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	490	2502	240	Design issue fee	
1503	660	2503	320	Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	790	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	790	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	790	2801	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

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EXAMINING ART GROUP 3627**

PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of)	
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DOUGLAS C. MEYER)	Art Unit: 3627
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated October 19, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1, 3 - 41 are now pending in the application. New claims 42 - 52 are sought to be added to further describe the claimed invention. Claim 38 is withdrawn without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 2, 12 - 31 have previously been withdrawn. The Amendment does not introduce new matter, and the entry is respectfully requested. Based on

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the above Amendment and the following Remarks, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all outstanding objections and rejections, and that he withdraw them.